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RE: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ARBITRATING TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN DOMAINS IN A COMPUTER SYSTEM"*  
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- (1) 26-page patent specification with 36 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1-4 on 5 sheets);
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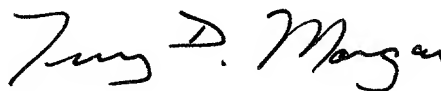
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